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**TIP OF THE MONTH:** When sending regular messages, turn OFF your "HTML" format in your mail programs and use plain text. This will save a lot of bandwidth. Using "HTML" usually makes the message twice as big and copies itself twice in one message!

**DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT:** According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 29/April, through Sunday, 6/May there were 234 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE0A, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HK0/m, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TI9, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TX0, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9C, VK9N, VK9X, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP6, VP8, VP8/o, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZK1/s, ZL, ZP, ZS  
There were 39 CQ Zones available during the past week. CQ Zones that were not active are: 2  
There were 55 ITU Zones available during the past week. ITU Zones that were not active are: 3,4,15,21,22,23,24,25,26, 31,34,35,43,58,59,69,70,71,72,74,90

\* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations. As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL). OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive an additional bulletin (due to its size) with a complete breakdown and "DXCC/Entities Chart of Activity".

**ARE WE HAVING A GREAT YEAR FOR DXING?** Joe, W1JR, thinks so. Joe wrote to OPDX and states, "Just a note to tell you DX this year is doing well and possibly ahead of all

years. Each year I try to see how many DXCC entities I can work. In a good year I can make about 280-290. Hence, on January 1, 2001 I started anew AGAIN. I guess I never learn! Yesterday (May 3rd) I worked XU7 for DXCC #270, all in just over 4 months. This is the earliest in the year that I have ever worked 270 entities. I figure I have missed about 10 others. I do keep a normal sleep pattern and don't catch them all! The DX is there. You just have to listen and work them!"

**3B6RF THE AGALEGA DXPEDITION (Update/Change).** It has been reported that the 3B6RF team is now on the island as this bulletin was being prepared, but not after a change in traveling plans. The team flew to Seychelles as planned but ended up taking a boat to Agalega instead of flying. It was reported that it took the team 34 hours by boat, with rough seas and waves 3 meters high, to reach the island. They are expected to be on the air by 1500z, May 6th. The official news and updates will be posted on the team's Web page at:  
<http://www.agalega2000.ch/>

**9H, MALTA.** To mark the event of the **Pope's visit to Malta**, the Malta Amateur Radio League is issuing a special Award and QSL Card. For further details, check out the Web page:  
<http://www.9h1mrl.cjb.net>

**A2, BOTSWANA.** Charles, **A25/KY4P**, has been pleasing the crowd on CW on 17/15/10 meters. Watch 10 and 15 meters after 1530z around 1 to 2 kHz up from band edge. Check around 18089 kHz later in the day (as late as 2100z). QSL via SV0LM.

**AP, PAKISTAN.** A good friend told me he needed AP on CW. Well, look for **AP2ARS** on 30 meters (one QSN said "NO TAKERS"). Look around 10103 and 10104 kHz as early as 1600, but generally as late as 1900-2100z. Also, check 17 meters around 18074 kHz between 1200-1500z. QSL via S53R.

#### **DX ACTIVITY (Dayton HamVention).**

- The **Northern Ohio DX Association** (along with WVNO Radio) will once again sponsor a **Hospitality Suite** at this year's Dayton Hamvention. It will be in Suite 1011 on the 10th Club Floor of the Crowne Plaza Hotel (old Stouffers) on Friday and Saturday evenings. All DXers/Contesters are welcome. Munchies and refreshments will be available. Come and meet the members and friends of NODXA.
- Visit the **NJDXA Hospitality suite** on the 12th floor of the Crowne Plaza. The suite should be open around 9 PM on Friday and will start hoping after the DX Dinner.

**ET, ETHIOPIA.** Claudio, **ET3VSC**, continues to please many on CW on the 17 and 12 meter bands. Look for him on either band after 2200z, sometimes as early as 1030z. QSL via K3IRV.

#### **IOTA NEWS.....**

- **AS-089.** By the time you read this, UA1PBP should have started a two week operation as **UA1PBP/9** from the **Kara Sea Coast West Group**. QSL to RK1PWA.
- **EU-038.** Joel, F5PAC, will be active from **Texel Island**, as **PA/F5PAC** for the **IOTA Contest** at the **end of July**.
- **EU-113.** (Possibly EU-158) Steve, G4EDG, informs OPDX that he intend to operate from **Kythira Island** as **SV8/G4EDG** and possibly **EU-158** as **SV3/G4EDG** starting

appox. **May 7th**, for **2 weeks**. This is a backpacking trip and operation will be 20 meters CW only with 5 watts to a dipole. QSL via home call.

- **EU-148**. Operators F5AUB, F5OSN, F5RVI, F5DBX, F5UOE, F5BJW, F5BKB, F4CLO, F5JBR, F5VV and F5XX will be active as **F5XX/P** from **Fort Brescou, May 24-28th**. However, during the **CQWPX CW Contest**, F5XX, F5VV and F5JBR will be active as **TM5B**.
- **NA-041**. NODXA member Byron, KF8UN, will sign **KF8UN/KL7**, and will be active (time permitting) from **Sitka City Island**, Alaska. The dates are **July 7 through 10th**, and he will start at 0700z. Operations will be on 40 and 20 meters. QSL via CBA.

**J5, GUINEA-BISSAU**. Baldur, DJ6SI, and the **J5X** team continue to be active **until May 11th**. There has been plenty of active on RTTY and the WARC bands. This should be an easy catch if some one needs it.

**JD/M, MINAMI TORISHIMA**. Katsumi, **JD1BCK**, seems to really like 15 meters. Look for him between 21270 and 21290 kHz after 2300z. QSL via JM1TUK.

**JD/O, OGASAWARA**. You, **JD1BIA**, was heard this week and weekend on 15 meters around 21280 and 21290 kHz after 0000z and as late as 0830z. QSL via JD1BIA.

**JW PHOTOS**. Rag, JW5HE, reports photos from Svalbard can be viewed at:  
<http://no.photos.yahoo.com/la5he/>

**KH2, GUAM**. Members of Mitsubishi Electric, JA1RTG, JF1CPE, JI1EOP, JK1EBA, JR3OET, JA5AGW and JI0PFJ will be active as **KH2/JM1YGG** between 0800z on **May 10th** through 0100z on **May 13th**. Activity will be on 40, 20, 17, 15, 10 and 6 meters CW/SSB. QSL via JM1YGG for the bureau or direct to JA1RTG.

**KH2, GUAM**. A group from the JA2 area will be active from here between **June 9-12th**. Activity will be on 160-6 meters. The callsigns and the QSL information are as follows:

**K1HP/KH2** (Yoshi) via JE2EHP  
**N3WW/KH2** (Ban) via JF2WXS  
**KH2/JH2CYU** (Michy) via JH2CYU

**KH2/JH2QFY** (Aki) via JH2QFY  
**KH2/JJ2CYO** (Yasu) via JJ2CYO  
**KH2/JS2ITP** (Yasu) via JS2ITP

## **LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY.....**

- Operators G0KJW and G0OWE will be active as **homecall/P** on **May 13th** from **Longstone Lighthouse** (LH 0234 - WLH Award). QSL via their home callsigns.
- Look for **SK0QO** to be active between **August 18th to 20th** from **Soderarm Lighthouse** (LH 0175 - WLH Award). QSL via SK0QO.

**LU1ZA, SOUTH ORKNEY ISLAND (Update)**. The station **LU1ZA** has not been heard since April 21st. However, OPDX has received some info about this station. The operator's name is Claudio, and he is in the Argentina Army. He is a Ham but not a DXer. He does not speak English, but thanks to Raymundo, YS1RR, on April 21st a few people were able to work this station. His QSL route is as follows: Serv. Auxil. de Radioafic., de la Armada, Av. Del Libertador 8209, Capital Federal, CC 1429, Argentina.

**OJ0, MARKET REEF**. Operators Arne/LA3IKA, Bjorn/LA5UKA, Paul/LA6YEA and

Trond/LA9VDA will be active from Market Reef's **Lighthouse** (LH 0542 - WLH Award) between **August 5-8th**. They will sign **OJ0/LA3IKA**, **OJ0/LA5UKA**, **OJ0/LA6YEA** and **OJ0/LA9VDA**. Lars, OH0RJ, has also been invited to join them. They plan to be active on 160-2 meters, SSB/CW/RTTY. LA5UKA (ex-LC3NAT) will be active in the 2m NAC contest. QSL to homecalls except for LA6YEA (QSL via LA9VDA). Look for more info later by checking the following Web page: <http://www.qsl.net/la9vda/>

**OY, FAROE ISLAND.** Max/ON5UR and Wim/ON4CJI of the United Radio team will operate from Faroe Island (**Stremoy Island - EU-018**) with the callsign **OY9UR**, from **May 28th through June 7th**. They will be operating on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6 meters. Wim is expected to be on PSK31. Also, look for them on **May 26-27th** and **June 8-9th** as a /MM. They will be active during the **6 meter contest** on **June 2-3rd**. There will be a special full color QSL cards for both callsigns. QSL direct via OY9UR: United Radio, P.O.Box 33, Zichem 3271, Belgium. Remember: The QSO is short, the QSL is forever.

### QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- Fran, EA7FTR, reports that he has the logs for **BA1RB**, and any station who needs a QSL can send via EA7FTR: Francisco Lianez Suero, Asturias 23, 21110 Aljaraque, Huelva, Spain. He is also the QSL Manager for Jack, HC3RJ.
- QSL MANAGER CHANGE. Steve, DJ7AO, informs OPDX that he is no longer the QSL Manager for Ray, **DL2GG/YV5**. The new QSL Manager is Sigi, DL3AMA. Send direct via the CBA or via bureau.
- Allan, VK2CA, reports that Norried, **H44NC**, will be leaving New Georgia Island (OC-149) shortly to return to the USA for approx. 12 months. He will be carrying the H44NC logs from July 2000 onwards with him. The new address for H44NC, as of the 1st of May 2001, DIRECT ONLY will be as follows: Norried F. Chaisson, P.O. Box 2262, Springfield, MO 65801, USA. QSLs before July 2000 will still be answered, but only after returning to H4.
- QSL INFORMATION FROM THE DESK OF OH2BN: "Effective May 15th, late QSLing of **E44DX**, **H40AA**, **4W/N5KO** and **4W/W3UR** will be done by Steve, KU9C. The procedure we use is to keep answering all direct requests for 18 to 24 months from the time of the actual DXpedition. At the end of that period, all remaining QSOs will be QSLed through the bureau network. Because we do not print extra QSLs for another round, a "combo late request QSL-card" has been designed to confirm these late requests at KU9C. In the case of **TX0DX**, we will keep answering all direct requests up to September 2001, when the bureau release will take place. All TX0DX direct requests have been answered as of today and we hold no backlog." de Jarmo Jaakola, OH2BN
- **Update on PW0S QSL Status** by Steve, KU9C: "It appears that I will have the QSL cards for PW0S, barring unforeseen shipping problems, the weekend BEFORE Dayton. I expect them to arrive at my QTH on May 11th. If this happens on schedule, I plan to issue ALL direct QSL cards that are clean in the log by Tuesday, May 15th (it will be a busy weekend, but most of the preparation is done). Thus, many of you should have a shot at having your card in advance of the Dayton Hamvention. If the schedule slips, my plans are to do what I can do before leaving for Dayton, and finishing the process upon my return. Some of the PW0S members will be at Dayton, and will be hand carrying the paper logs, which will allow me to research any of the 'not in log' QSOs. Thus, if your card does not appear in your box immediately, please give me a few weeks to research

the logs, as you may well be not in the log. I'll post a note when the QSL process is 'up to date'. Thanks to all of you that included donations with your QSL requests. The donations will be forwarded to the PW0S team to help pay down the expenses of this operation. If you would like further details, PY7ZZ's web site has a very detailed accounting of the DXpedition expenses, which you may find of interest. Go to the log search page at: <http://www.soutomaior.eti.br/mario/> Click on the 'Costs' shortcut. Donations are still being accepted by myself and W9VA, Bill, as we are still trying to close the gap on expenses..... 73 es DX IS! Steve KU9C"

- OPDX has been asked "What is the QSL status of the **VK9XY** cards?" Last we heard was cards were coming out (for the U.S.) the first part of the year. Does anyone have a more current update to report?
- Doug, **ZP6CW**, informs OPDX that he has had a houseguest for the last thirty-some days, Ian, G4DIE. He obtained permission to operate and was active on CW and PSK. He has made over 400 PSK contacts to date. Ian was scheduled to leave May 1st. His QSL MANAGER is Doug's wife, Dani, ZP6CU. Doug states that, ZP6CU continues to be his manager, and manager for another North American there ZP6GG. She still has logs for **S07UN** and **CN2UN**, and they still have the cards on hand for those operations which are now QRT.
- Raul, LU6EF, GACW Coordinator and QSL Manager, announced this week that "The **GACW Group** will accept eQSL cards to achieve the awards that they are currently using. Also, they will accept eQSL cards for any special certificate of merit issued to relevant individuals and/or organizations. In other words, the GACW coordinators will spread the benefits of this system to more than 500 members in Argentina and some other countries to encourage and enforce the use of this very safe, quick and cheap method of confirming amateur radio contacts.

**R1, FRANZ JOSEF LAND. R1FJL** has been active on 12 meters lately. Check 24910 kHz around 1200z and after 0800z. QSL via UA3AGS.

**SPECIAL EVENT.** Peter McDonald, VK3DI, Secretary, EMDRC Inc., informs OPDX that the special event callsign **AX3ITU** will be operated by members of the Eastern and Mountain Districts Radio Club (EMDRC) to celebrate the **International Telecommunications Day** for 24 hours commencing 0000z on **May 17th**, on behalf of the Wireless Institute of Australia (Vic Div). This is a relatively rare prefix for those prefix hunters. All HF bands will be activated at some time during the period of operation. QSL via VK3ER: P.O. Box 87, Mitcham, Victoria, Australia 3132. All logged callsigns will receive a QSL via the Bureau unless a direct request with sufficient return postage is received within 90 days of event.

**SPECIAL EVENT.** Look for special event station **EO56JM** to be on by the Crimea Contest Club now **through May 13th**. QSL via KG6AR (Direct or Bureau).

**SPECIAL EVENT.** The club station PI4TIL will use the special callsign **PA6T** during the period **May 27th through June 3rd**. During the **field day weekend** they will enter the CW contest and the 6 meter contest. During the weekend of **June 2nd and 3rd**, they will be active on 80-6 meters, 2 meters, 70 cm, 23 cm and 13 cm. Operations will be on CW, Phone, SSTV, RTTY, PSK31, ATV and satellites. On Wednesday, **May 30th**, they will be active on SSTV from 1800-2200z around the usual SSTV frequencies on 10, 15 and 20 meters.

**SPECIAL EVENT.** The Old Barney A.R.C. announces a Special Event operation for the



"International Lighthouse Activity Weekend". Station **W2T** will be operating from the "**Tucker's Island Lighthouse**" in the "Tuckerton Seaport", Tuckerton, New Jersey, at 1300z, **August 18th**, through 2300z, **August 19th**. Suggested frequencies are: 7280, 14280, 21380 and 28480 kHz (146.835/rpt). QSL via N2OO, PO Box 345, Tuckerton, NJ 08087 USA. Send a 9"x12" SASE with 55 cents postage for QSL and Certificate... or SASE/SAE+IRC for just a QSL.

**TI, COSTA RICA.** Philip, N0KE, will operate in the **CQ WPX CW Contest** as **TI5X** from TI5KD's station as QRP/All Band entry. N0KE will handle all contest QSLs for TI5X and **TI5/N0KE** outside the contest. ADDED NOTE: Over the previous two years contest operations were TI5N, and TI5KD handled the QSLs for this and other contest operations of TI5N.

**USI ACTIVITY.....** The Roane County Amateur Radio Club (KW4JS) will be active beginning 1300z on **May 19th**, from **Thief Neck Island**, Tennessee. Thief Neck Island is in the Tennessee River in Roane County. Operation will be on all bands 20 through 10 meters. QSL via KW4JS. The USI reference number was not provided.

**VO2, LABRADOR, CANADA (Update).** Fred, K2FRD, want to make one last plug for his Labrador DXpdition before he leaves for the north country on June 1st. He expects to commence operations about **June 6th** and will operate daily until he QRTs on **August 31st**. This will give the worldwide hams an opportunity to contact CQ Zone 2 and ITU Zone 9 (which are usually not active/listed every week). In brief, Fred will be operating mostly SSB (with occasional CW) on 10, 12, 15, 17, 20, and 40 meters and CW on 30 meters per the schedule on his Web site. Normally, look for him near the MUF, which given the state of 10 meters recently, could be 17 or 20 meters. For more on his frequencies, bands, and schedule details, check his Web page at: <http://sites.netscape.net/thefred3/labr1/> Fred, K2FRD, states in his last press release: "I'd like to thank you (KB8NW) and the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin, and the many hams worldwide who have provided encouragement and moral support for this trip. I will do my best to live up to everyone's (and my own) expectations. See you on the air.....73, Fred K2FRD"

**VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS.** Only a few more days to work **VP8SDX**. They will go QRT on **May 9th**. QSL via GM4FDM.

**XU, CAMBODIA.** The station signing **XU7ABC** has been active over the past week on 20/17/15/12/10 meters CW. Check around 18072 kHz, 24903 kHz and 11 kHz from band edge. QSL via G3XAQ. Meanwhile, **XU7ABN**, has been playing on RTTY on 20 and 15 meters between 1330 and 1400z, also after 1800z.

**YO, ROMANIA.** Jean Michel, F6AJA, will again be active as **YO/F6AJA** for the 8th year from **Suceava** (450km north of Bucarest). He will operate from the YO8FZ's QTH during his free time. Jean will be there from **May 14-20th**.

**ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND.** Jim, N6TJ, will once again be active from here during **May 7-17th**. QSL via VE3HO.

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to

me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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<http://www.papays.com/opdx.html>

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<http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/nodxa.html>

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